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TAGS: TECH, ENRG, FR, JA

SUBJECT: FRENCH- JAPANESE ENRICHMENT STUDY

1. FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL MISSION TRANSLATION OF RENT ( AGENCE FRANCE PRESSE) AFP RELEASE UNDER TOKYO DATELINE WHICH APPEARS OF SOME INTEREST IN CONNECTION CURRENT GIRAUD WASHINGTON VISIT:

2. QUOTE THE FRENCH- JAPANESE WORKING GROUP ON URANIUM ENRICHMENT HELD ITS FIRST MEETING IN TOKYO AFTER HAVING PUBLISHED A REPORT UNDERLINING THE NECESSITY FOR A JOINT URANIUM ENRICHMENT FACILITY BASED ON FRENCH TECHNOLOGY. THE PLANT COULD BE SITED EITHER IN FRANCE OR IN JAPAN.

3. THE REPORT, WHICH WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE TWO GOVERNMENTS, RECOMMENDS THAT SUCH A FACILITY BE BROUGHT INTO OPERATION BY 1980, IN VIEW OF THE SUPPLY AND DEMAND SITUATION FOR URANIUM ENRICHMENT IN THE NON- COMMUNIST COUNTRIES.

4. A JAPANESE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT ELABORATE STUDIES ARE TO BE CONTINUED, BUT REFUSED TO SPECIFY THE DATE OF THE NEXT WORKING GROUP MEETING.

5. THE CONSTRUCTION OF A URANIUM ENRICHMENT PLANT WILL DEPEND  
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ON THE RESULTS OF THESE STUDIES AND ON DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE  
ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSIONS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES. UNQUOTE  
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